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SUBJECT: GULF OF GUINEA COMMISSION HEAD SEEKS MEETINGS WITH  
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[1](#)B. LIBREVILLE 00108

Classified By: Ambassador Barrie Walkley for reasons 1.4 b and d

[1](#)1. (C) Carlos Braganca Gomes (from Sao Tome and Principe) was last month "sworn in" as the Executive Secretary of the Gulf of Guinea Commission (GOGC) and has assumed his responsibilities at the GOGC HQ in Luanda. Gomes recently told Ambassador Walkley that until his swearing in he was reluctant to engage in substantive discussions with representatives (particularly military representatives) of other countries or accept invitations to visit other countries. Now, however, he seeks the opportunity to meet with US military to discuss security issues (including maritime security issues) in the Gulf of Guinea and the role the GOGC may play.

[1](#)2. (C) We believe it would be appropriate for Gomes to be invited to USEUCOM or USNAVEUR for a briefing and discussions. He can probably be most easily contacted through our embassy in Luanda. FYI: Gomes speaks English.

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